

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: Chairman Mike Milburn, on January 12, 2009 at 3 P.M., in Room 472 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Milburn, Chairman (R)
Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. JP Pomnichowski, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)
Rep. Gerald Bennett (R)
Rep. Anders Blewett (D)
Rep. Jill Cohenour (D)
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)
Rep. Betsy Hands (D)
Rep. Brian Hoven (R)
Rep. Tom McGillvray (R)
Rep. Mike Menahan (D)
Rep. Scott Mendenhall (R)
Rep. Mike Miller (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart (D)
Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)
Rep. Chas Vincent (R)
Rep. Wendy Warburton (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Shirley Chovanak, Committee Secretary
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 21, 1/6/2009; HB 22, 1/16/2009
HB 35, 1/6/2009

Executive Action: HB 78

Due to audio technical difficulties, the first 21 minutes of this meeting were not recorded.

00:12:00 Chairman Milburn

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 78

00:14:47 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Gordon Hendrick moved that **HB 78 DO PASS**. Motion passed 17-1 by voice vote with Rep. Dickinson voting no. Reps. Mendenhall and Pomnichowski voted by proxy.

HEARING ON HB 21

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:18:00 Rep. Sue Dickenson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 21, Repeal termination date for recycling tax incentives.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:20:13 Will Selser, Montana Recycling Association

00:21:13 Tyler Evilsizer, S.A.V.E. Foundation

EXHIBIT (nah06a01)

00:21:00 Jessie Luther, Anheuser-Bush Company

00:23:32 Elaine Taylor, President, Montana Beverage Association

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:23:55 Lou Moore, Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:24:15 Rep. Reinhart

00:24:33 Ms. Moore

00:25:13 Rep. Reinhart

00:25:27 Ms. Moore

00:26:21 Rep. Reinhart

00:26:30 Ms. Moore

00:27:30 Rep. Mendenhall

00:27:40 Rep. Dickinson

EXHIBIT (nah06a02)

00:28:27 Rep. Mendenhall

00:28:40 Rep. Dickinson
00:29:54 Rep. Hoven
00:30:05 Ms. Moore
00:31:06 Rep. Hoven
00:31:19 Ms. Moore

Closing by Sponsor:

00:31:39 Rep. Dickinson

HEARING ON HB 35

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:35:00 Rep. Sue Dickenson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 35, Revolving loan program to fund recycling machinery and equipment.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:39:43 Ms. Taylor
00:40:14 Mr. Selser
00:40:40 Mr. Evilsizer

Opponents' Testimony:

00:41:38 Bob Gilbert, MADRA-MTTA
00:44:35 Chairman Milburn
00:45:05 Loretta Miller, Montana Automobile Dismantlers and Recyclers

EXHIBIT (nah06a03)

00:52:46 Jim Dussenberry, Montana Tow Truck Association
00:55:46 Mr. Blattie

Informational Testimony:

00:57:33 Ed Thamke, Department of Environment Quality (DEQ)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:58:05 Rep. Belcourt
00:58:09 Mr. Thamke
00:58:29 Rep. Reinhart
00:58:46 Mr. Thamke
01:01:19 Rep. Reinhart
01:01:27 Mr. Thamke
01:01:20 Chairman Milburn
01:02:17 Rep. Reinhart

01:02:35 Mr. Thamke
01:03:01 Rep. Reinhart
01:03:06 Ms. Moore
01:03:34 Chairman Milburn
01:04:22 Ms. Moore
01:03:41 Rep. Hoven
01:04:08 Rep. Dickinson
01:04:33 Rep. Hands
01:04:52 Rep. Dickinson
01:05:48 Rep. Hands
01:05:59 Rep. Dickinson
01:07:07 Rep. Hands
01:07:21 Rep. Dickinson
01:07:52 Rep. Hands
01:07:54 Rep. Dickinson
01:08:49 Rep. Hendrick
01:09:40 Mr. Thamke
01:10:05 Rep. Hendrick
01:10:51 Mr. Thamke
01:12:02 Chairman Milburn
01:12:13 Rep. Dickinson
01:16:07 Chairman Milburn

Closing by Sponsor:

01:16:35 Rep. Dickinson

01:18:00 Break
01:29:35 Resume

HEARING ON HB 22

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:30:00 Rep. Sue Dickenson (D), HD 25, opened the hearing on HB 22, Remove termination on coal tax for manufacturing, agriculture, and development.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:34:01 Aeric Reilly, Montana Wool Growers Association
01:35:55 Mr. Evilsizer
01:36:43 Mr. Selser

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

01:37:03 Ms. Moore

01:37:17 Brett Doney, Montana Economic Development Association

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:42:10 Rep. Hoven

01:42:44 Rep. Dickinson

01:43:45 Rep. Menahan

Closing by Sponsor:

01:44:08 Rep. Dickinson

ADJOURNMENT

01:47:17 Adjournment

SHIRLEY CHOVANAK, Secretary

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Additional Documents

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EXHIBIT ([nah06aad.pdf](#))